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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 9265**
Hiroyuki SATO et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2005_1050A
Serial No. 10/540,983 : Group Art Unit 1796
Filed June 27, 2005 : Examiner Ana L. Woodward

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RESPONSE TO REQUIREMENT FOR RESTRICTION
AND ELECTION OF SPECIES

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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action of April 2, 2008, constituting a requirement for restriction among (I) claims 1-15, (II) claims 16-20 and (III) claims 21-22, Applicants hereby elect the subject matter of Group I, i.e. claims 1-15.

Referring to item 6 beginning on page 4 of the Office Action, wherein the Examiner has required an election of an ultimate species of polyester to be examined, Applicants elect a combination of an aliphatic dicarboxylic acid (D) and an aliphatic diol (E) as represented by a combination of adipic acid and 1,4-butanediol, which is disclosed in Example 1 beginning on page 34 of the specification. Claims 1-6 and 14-15 read on the elected species.

Applicants emphasize that these elections are made while reserving their rights under 35 U.S.C. §121 to file a divisional application for the non-elected subject matter.

Action on the merits is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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